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Dear

PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information on Serbian dogs entering the UK which we received on 26 June 2018. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI).

The information you requested and our response is detailed below:

"I request the number of Serbian dogs who have entered the UK on TRACES from 2014-2018 and the registered holdings in Serbia from which the dogs originated."

In the period from 01/01/2014 to 27/06/2018 TRACES recorded that there were 14 dogs that entered the UK from Serbia. This data was extracted from TRACES using the Data Warehouse facility. This information is a true reflection of the information that we have access to. We cannot guarantee the accuracy of this data, as we can only rely on the information that has been input into TRACES by a third party.

The breakdown by year is as follows:

2014 - 1

2015 - 3

2016 - 8

2017 - 2

Dogs from non-EU countries can enter the EU through any approved Border Inspection Post (BIP) and then travel directly to the country of destination. Details of the addresses from which the dogs originated is contained within the health certificate which is retained at the Border Inspection Post of entry into the EU. As none of the dogs imported from Serbia entered the EU through a UK BIP, APHA do not hold information regarding the premises of origin.

Information disclosed in response to this FOI request is releasable to the public. In keeping with the spirit and effect of the FOI and the government's Transparency Agenda, this letter and the information disclosed to you may be placed on GOV.UK, together with

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any related information that will provide a key to its wider context. No information identifying you will be placed on the GOV.UK website.

I attach an Annex which explains the copyright that applies to the information being released to you and contact details should you be unhappy with the service you have received.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact the Access to Information Team at the email address below or postal address at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

ACCESS TO INFORMATION TEAM

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Annex

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